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### BOOK REVIEW.

**A Code of Federal Procedure (Superseding Desty's Federal Procedure), embodying enactments of Congress, Constitutional Provisions, Established Principles and Court Rules in force December 1st, 1906, and the Bankruptcy Act of 1898 with amendments and orders, together with a collection of forms and precedents.** By Walter Malins Rose, author of "Notes on United States Reports." In three volumes. San Francisco. Bancroft-Whitney Company. 1907. Price, \$18.

It is hard to refrain from using exaggerated language in reviewing this most excellent and long-needed work. Desty's Federal Procedure has been almost the vade mecum of lawyers practicing in the Federal Courts. The present work not only supersedes it, but goes a long way beyond anything heretofore attempted both in size, arrangement and excellence of work.

Codification of the Federal Statutes and Rules of Procedure is at best an exceedingly difficult thing. Not based upon statutory provisions exclusively, but consisting of rules promulgated by the Supreme Court, and founded upon provisions of the Constitution of the United States, as well as resulting from the peculiar nature and limits of Federal judicial power, to carefully digest and arrange them under proper heads, with citations of authority, required no little skill as law writer, much patience, and a keen analytical mind. The learned author of the valuable "Notes on United States Reports" had the benefit of his work upon those volumes, and seems to have been peculiarly fitted for the task.

The sections are arranged in a logical and symmetrical way. Reference is made at the end of each to the section, paragraph or clause of statute, court rule or constitutional provision reproduced, so that the basis and foundation of the law can be traced to its original source. Where the author has stated his own views of some established principle, he notes the fact. Needless to say his own statements are carefully conceived, cautiously expressed and must command respectful consideration from the Bench and Bar. Pertinent authorities are cited in the annotation to each Code section, and seem to be unusually full and complete.

We consider the book one whose usefulness, apparent at first sight, will grow with the using. A valuable contribution to the workshop of the busy practitioner, it must command, as it deserves, a wide circulation.